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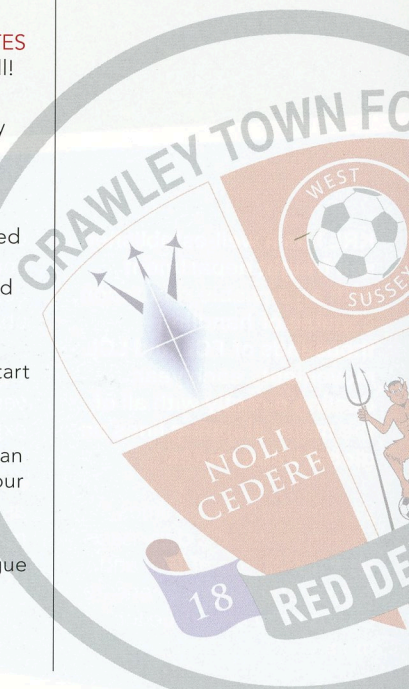
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Dermot DRUMMY

Good afternoon and welcome to Nathan Jones, his players, staff and the Luton supporters who are our visitors today.

We're all disappointed with the recent run of League results but I said at the start of the season that there are going to be times in the campaign when things don't go our way. That is when the togetherness and team spirit we have built up, with a virtually new group of players remember, comes to the fore and although we felt we didn't necessarily get what we deserved in the games against Notts County and Stevenage, this week has been all about looking ahead.

I think the division is so open this season with everyone capable of beating each other and even a run of three or four games unbeaten can move you up the table quickly. Things change rapidly in football and I have total belief in our players and the way we want to play. I certainly think we have the quality in our ranks to give every team in this league a tough 90 minutes.

Since the Colchester game we've managed to make two excellent additions to the squad in Kaby Djalo and Dean Cox. They are two very good technical players but, just as importantly, they have a real hunger and desire to succeed at Crawley, albeit for different reasons.

Kaby has played at a good standard all over Europe but he's desperate to make his mark here in England. For Dean, his move is almost like coming home. He's a local lad who has always closely followed what's happening at Crawley. Both are excited at what we're trying to achieve here both this season and in the long term and it's exciting to have them on board. All being well Kaby will be involved today and although Dean will have to wait until January for his debut he will still have half a season to make the sort of impact I know he is capable of.

I'd like to thank all our fans who made the trips to Portsmouth and Stevenage and gave the team great backing.



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Dermot**



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Red LEADER

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to this afternoon's game against Luton Town, it's good to be back playing in front of you again.

Last time we played here at the Checktrade Stadium we were on the wrong end of a 3-1 result against Notts County. That was frustrating because Enzo's fine goal had given us the lead, and we had chances to further extend that advantage throughout the game.

James Collins' unfortunate own-goal was unlucky for him because he's been brilliant for us so far. To then concede so soon after meant it was difficult to really recover, and the third goal meant it was game over. That was our first defeat of the season – but we reacted really well by beating Colchester here three days later in the Checktrade Trophy.

That was the perfect response and although the manager made changes to the side the boys that came in gave him a selection dilemma and that's great for the manager and the squad as a whole.

The match at Fratton Park a fortnight ago was tough to take as our game-plan was to quieten the home crowd in the early stages of the contest. Even at 3-0 down we stuck to our footballing principles but conceding two goals so early made it tough to get back into the contest against a very good side with a big crowd behind them.

However, we did continue to play the way we're looking to. We continued to create chances and in the end I thought we were unlucky not to get on the scoresheet. But we're not making excuses – we have to cut out the silly mistakes which gave them such a good start.

Stevenage last weekend was another difficult result to take – especially as up until their first goal I felt we had great chances to go ahead. I thought both Enzo and Jason were superb in the opening period and caused Stevenage all sorts of problems – but you need to take your opportunities and we paid the price for not doing so.

It's been great to welcome Kaby Djalo and Dean



Cox this week. Kaby was so frustrated that his international clearance didn't arrive in time for him to play at Stevenage but he should be okay for today and he looks a really good addition to the squad.

I know Coxy really well from our Orient days together and his signing is a real statement of intent by the club. It's a shame he can't play until January but he is going to be an excellent addition for us in terms of our offensive play. He'll also be great around the dressing room – he likes a bit of banter does Dean!

We're looking to get back to winning ways this afternoon. Nathan Jones' side have begun their season really well. It's going to be a difficult game, but as I've said before we're fully confident in our ability to get good results on a consistent basis.

The lads really appreciate your support and encouragement through both the good and bad times – remember we're together at the start of what is still a new journey for everyone.

WE MOVE ON TOGETHER.

Enjoy the game and let's hear you, Jimmy.

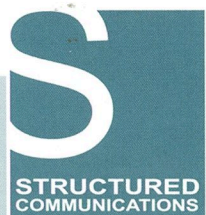
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Kelly DERHAM

Welcome to the Checktrade Stadium for today's game against Luton Town.

It's been a tough couple of weeks on the pitch but we have every faith in Dermot and the players and I know how much they are looking forward to the challenge of playing one of the promotion favourites this afternoon.

Next week we will be attending a meeting of all 72 League clubs where the main item for discussion will be the 'Whole Game Solution.' You may have read about this when it was first put before clubs at the AGM in June. Working with the FA and Premier League one of the proposals is a structure comprising of five divisions of 20 clubs from the Premier League down. This would mean fewer league games (38 instead of 46) and would mean fewer, if any, midweek games and the possibility of a winter break (certainly in the Premier League).

Increased funding from the Premier League to EFL clubs would offset the reduction in matchday revenue from having fewer fixtures and, of course, four fewer away matches would cut our own travel and hotel costs. There would be no relegation out of the EFL at the end of the 2018-19 season.

Next week's meeting is the latest in a process of consultations which the League hope will end in a vote at next year's AGM.

We are mindful, of course, that such major changes could have an effect on our supporters so ahead of next week's meeting we will be posting a survey on our website on Monday asking for your views. Alternatively, please email kellyderham@crawleytownfc.com with your thoughts.

At this stage, and I must stress we have made no binding decisions, we would prefer 20 clubs rather than 22 to increase the chances of promotion – the current arrangements throughout the League would remain in place. Obviously, having 20 teams would also increase the chances of relegation as well but we're trying to look on the positive side!

At this stage, we feel that any additional teams should come from the National League, that



there should not be regionalisation in the bottom two divisions and that Leagues 1,2 and 3 clubs should not have a winter break. We are open to persuasion at future meetings and it will be fascinating to get the views of our supporters so please get in touch.

Off the pitch things remain very hectic. We're delighted to be re-launching our club for young supporters this afternoon. There are some great benefits of becoming a member of Junior Reds and it costs just £5 so make sure you get any under-18s you know to join. An application form is on Pages 50 and 51 of the programme.

Finally, we are looking for turnstile staff on matchdays. You must be numerate and used to handling cash. If you are interested in joining our team please email your CV and any relevant experience to feedback@crawleytownfc.com

Thanks for your continued support – Kelly

Match ACTION

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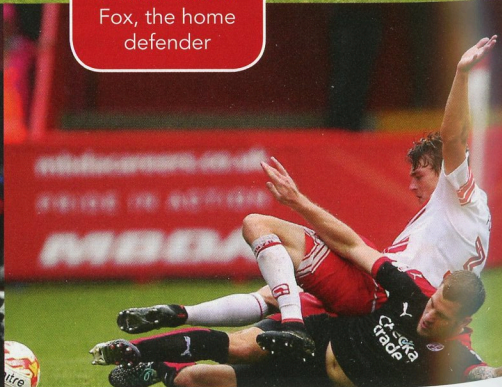
James Collins' volley went in but the goal was disallowed



Collins slides in with Andrew Fox, the home defender



Collins scored his third goal of the season with this late header



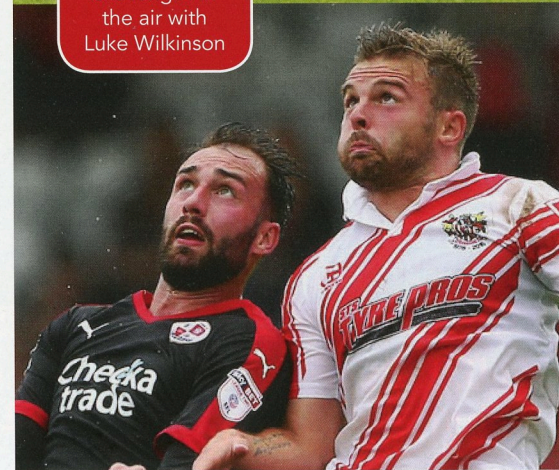
Josh Payne challenges in the air with Luke Wilkinson

REDS SUFFERED A FRUSTRATING AFTERNOON AT A WET LAMAX STADIUM WHERE, DESPITE PLENTY OF POSSESSION, THEY SUFFERED A THIRD SUCCESSIVE LEAGUE DEFEAT.

Although Jack King hit the bar for the hosts and Mark Connolly made a superb block to deny Tyler Walker, Jason Banton was denied in similar fashion by Fraser Franks while Josh Payne and James Collins also went close.

But Walker found space to angle an effort inside the far post just before the break and King was given too much time to side-foot Stevenage's second nine minutes into the second half.

Reds rallied and Collins reduced the deficit with an 86th-minute header from Billy Clifford's cross. Collins was also denied by the offside flag when he thought he'd volleyed an equaliser and Adi Yussuf's late penalty claims were turned down.



Mark Connolly gets stuck in



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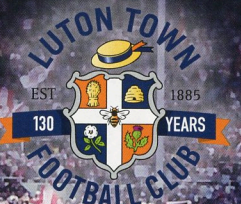
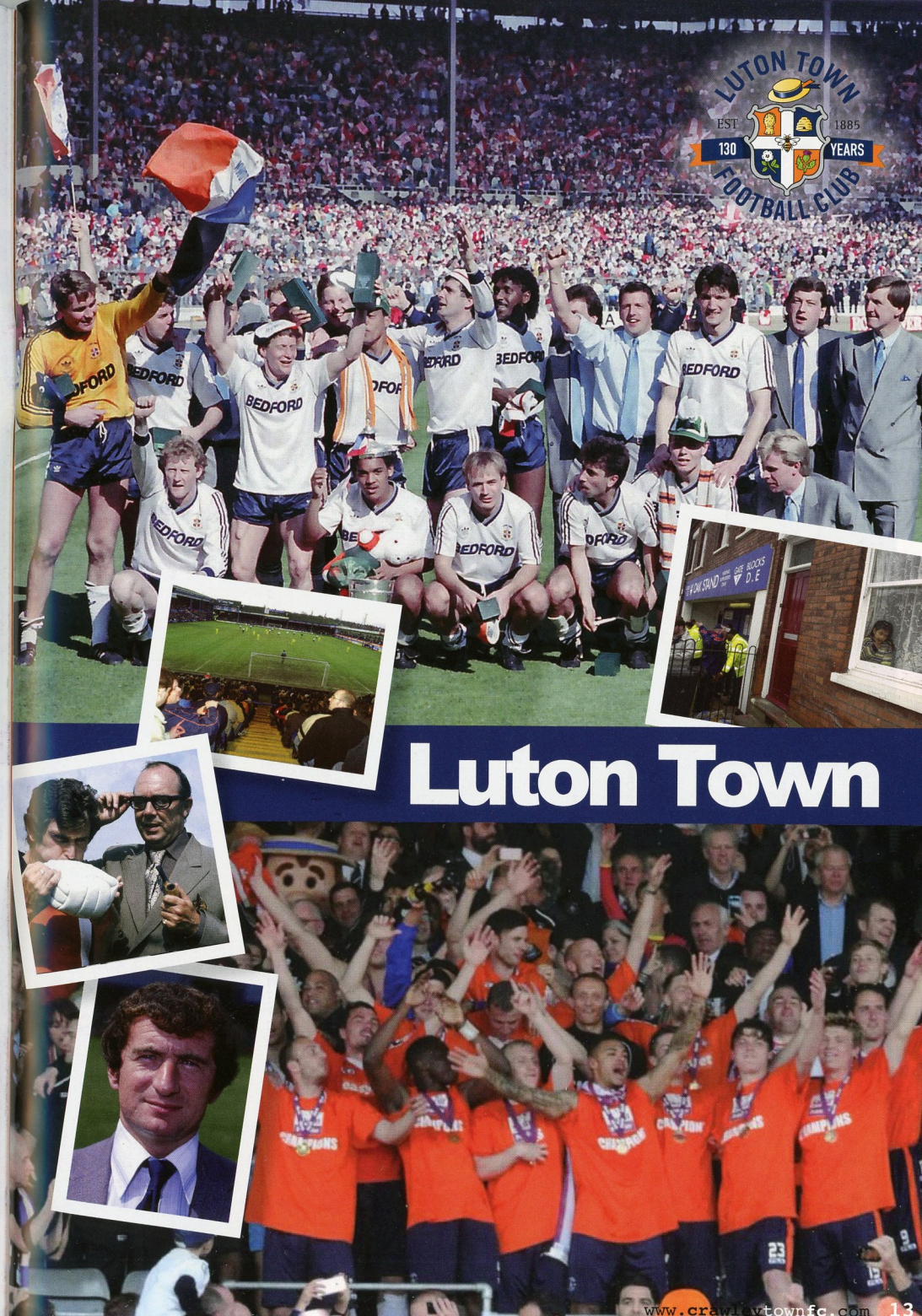
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Luton Town



Opposition SQUAD

Goalkeepers

Christian Walton

The young Brighton loanee is also an England U-21 international. He had a spell on loan at League One Bury last season.

Craig King

The 20-year-old goalkeeper signed a professional contract with Luton last summer after impressing in youth levels.

Defenders

Stephen O'Donnell



The 24-year-old right back joined last summer from Partick Thistle.

Dan Potts

The 22-year-old left back joined Luton last summer after spending the majority of his career at West Ham United where he made his debut in December 2011.

Johnny Mullins

The centre back who last season played for Oxford United joined the Hatters this summer after helping the U's win promotion to EFL One last season.

Scott Cuthbert

The experienced defender joined Luton last summer after playing for Leyton Orient and Swindon Town.

Glen Rea

Central defender who joined the Hatters in June after being on a season-long loan from Brighton last season.

Alan Sheehan

The defender was Nathan Jones's first signing at Luton after being on loan during the first half of last year from Bradford City.

Midfielders

Pelly Ruddock

The former West Ham Academy player joined Luton in 2014 season when he helped the club return to the Football League.

Jonathan Smith

Smith joined in 2011 from York City and instantly became one of the fans' favourites for his energy and attitude.

Jake Gray

The ex-Crystal Palace youngster had a successful loan last year at Hartlepool United before joining Luton Town this summer on a two-year contract

Danny Green

The right midfielder signed last season after former manager John Still snapped him up from Dagenham & Redbridge. Has also played for Charlton Athletic and MK Dons.

Olly Lee

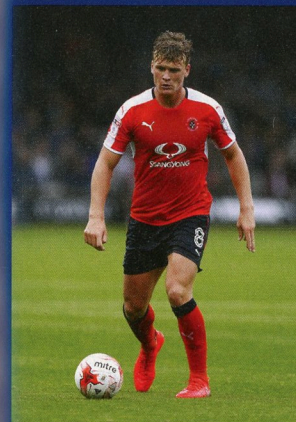
The central midfielder joined Luton Town on a short-term deal in 2015 before signing on a permanent basis. Previously with Birmingham City.

Nathan Doyle

The defensive midfielder

joined in 2014 and instantly became a hit with the fans as he won the fans Player of the Year in his first season with the club.

Cameron McGeehan



Joined Luton Town on a permanent basis last summer after two successful loan spells from Norwich City. He is now a key part of the side.

Strikers

Jordan Cook

Former Sunderland youngster joined Luton this summer on a two-year deal after impressing on trial.

Craig Mackail-Smith

The former Peterborough United, Brighton and Scotland international joined in 2015 from the Seagulls.

Jack Marriott

The young pacey forward joined Luton last summer from Ipswich where he had been for six years.

Zane Banton

An academy graduate who made his debut for Luton in their Conference days.

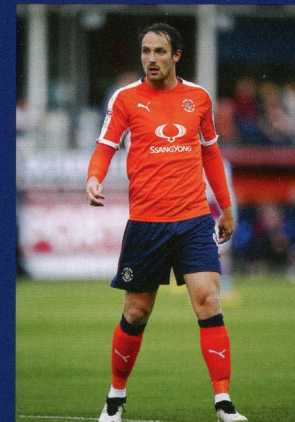
Isaac Vassell

The former Plymouth Argyle forward joined Luton after a successful trial this summer.

Josh McQuoid

The striker joined Luton last summer from Premier League side AFC Bournemouth.

Danny Hylton



Hylton joined Luton Town this summer from Oxford United whom he helped win promotion last season.

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the Unlikely LADS

LEIGH EDWARDS PROFILES EIGHT BIG-NAME LUTON TOWN PLAYERS NOT USUALLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE CLUB

Alan Birchenall

Former England U-23 midfielder Alan Birchenall briefly appeared for Luton Town in 1978-79. After signing as a professional for Sheffield United in June 1963 he joined Chelsea for £100,000 in November 1967 and moved via Crystal Palace to Leicester City in September 1971. He featured in their 1973-74 FA Cup run then played for Notts County, San Jose Earthquakes, Memphis Rogues and Blackburn Rovers before joining Luton in March 1979. After ten League appearances he moved to Hereford United in October 1979, then had a spell as Trowbridge Town's player-boss before becoming Leicester's public relations officer.

Colin Todd

Ex-England international central defender Colin Todd appeared for Luton Town in 1984-85. Initially with Sunderland, he moved to Derby County in February 1971, starring as they won the League Championship in 1971-72 and 1974-75, when he was also voted PFA Player of the Year. He joined Everton in September 1978 then played for Birmingham City and Nottingham Forest. After he was reunited with Jim Smith at Oxford United in February 1984 he helped clinch the Third Division title and moved to Luton in October 1984, playing two League games. He later managed Middlesbrough, Bolton Wanderers, Swindon Town, Derby County and Bradford City.

Steve Williams

Former England international midfielder Steve Williams was capped six times before joining Luton Town. After becoming a professional for Southampton in July 1976 he starred as they won promotion in 1977-78, were League Cup finalists

in 1979 and League Championship runners-up in 1983-84. He joined Arsenal for £525,000 in December 1984 and featured in their 1987 League Cup final triumph before moving to Luton for £300,000 in July 1988. He scored once in 40 League games and was then reunited with Alan Ball at Exeter City in August 1991. He has since worked in magazine publishing and property development, settling in Ottery St Mary.

Mervyn Day

Luton Town's former loan goalkeeper Mervyn Day starred in West Ham's 1975 FA Cup final success. The England U-23 international was twice ever-present for the Hammers and played in the 1976 Cup Winners Cup final before moving to Orient in July 1979. He was ever-present three times prior to joining Aston Villa in May 1983, then joined Leeds United in February 1985 and helped win the Second Division title in 1989-90. Loaned to Luton in March 1992, he made four League appearances. After moving to Carlisle United in July 1993 he became their manager then assisted Alan Curbishley at Charlton and West Ham before returning to Leeds as chief scout.

John Hartson

(pictured) Welsh international striker John Hartson helped Luton Town reach the FA Cup semi-finals in 1993-94. After joining the club in December 1992 he netted 11 goals in 54 League games before sold to Arsenal for £2.5m in January 1995. He scored in the 1995 Cup Winners Cup final then moved to West Ham for £3.2m in February 1997. Leading marksman in 1997-98, he joined Wimbledon for £7m in January 1999 and had a spell with Coventry City prior to joining Celtic in August 2001. He starred in their 2001-02 'treble' triumph and joined West Brom for £500,000 in July 2006. He won a total of 51 caps.

Paul Dickov

Luton Town's former loan striker Paul Dickov was capped by Scotland. He began his career with Arsenal in December 1990 and was loaned to Luton in October 1993 and scored once in 15 League games. A member of the Gunners' triumphant 1994 Cup Winners Cup squad, he moved to Manchester City for £1m in August 1996. After starring in three promotion campaigns, he joined Leicester City in February 2002 and was leading scorer in their 2002-03 promotion success. He then appeared for Blackburn Rovers, Manchester City and Leicester again and Leeds United and has since managed Oldham Athletic and Doncaster Rovers.

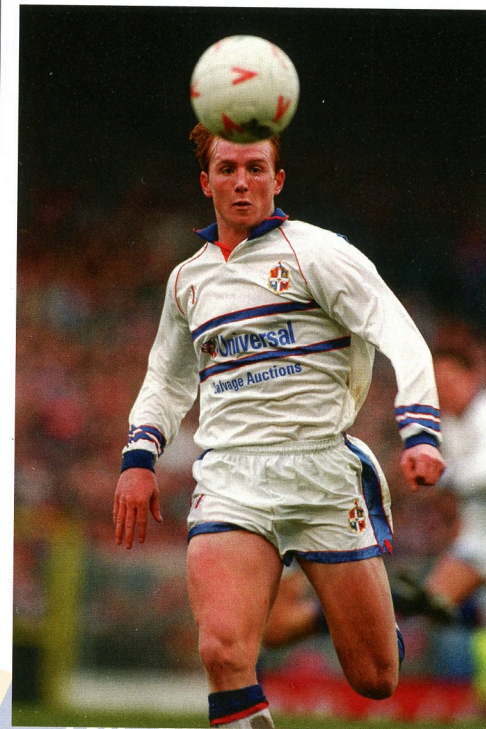
Paul Allen

Former England U-21 midfielder Paul Allen had a loan spell at Luton Town in 1994-95. From a notable football family, he signed professional terms for West Ham in July 1979 and was the youngest FA Cup finalist at 17 years 256 days in their 1980 Wembley triumph. He moved to Tottenham Hotspur for £400,000 in June 1985 and was an FA Cup winner again in 1991. After joining Southampton for £500,000 in September 1993, he was loaned to Luton in December 1994 and made four League appearances. He moved to Swindon Town in October 1995. He later played for Bristol City, Millwall and Purfleet and currently works for the PFA.

Matthew Upson

Former Luton Town central defender Matthew Upson gained 21 England caps. Signing professional for Luton Town in April 1996 he made his only League appearance for the Hatters as a substitute in their 1-0 win over Rotherham four months later and joined Arsenal for £1m in May 1997. He featured in their 1997-98 Premier League title campaign and was a member of the 2001-02 'double' winning squad. Loaned to several clubs,

he moved to Birmingham City for £2m in January 2003, then joined West Ham for £6m in January 2007. He has since played for Stoke City, Brighton, Leicester City and MK Dons.



John Hartson's goalscoring form at the start of his career for Luton earned him a big-money move to Arsenal in 1995

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Opposition UPDATE

Luton boss Nathan Jones will be looking for a positive response from his high-flying Hatters today after they suffered their second EFL 2 defeat of the season last Saturday.

The former Brighton coach admitted his team were "lacklustre" in the 2-1 home setback to promoted Grimsby Town.

Jones said: "We just weren't good enough if I'm honest, that wasn't us. We took so long to come out of the blocks, we weren't sharp, we didn't press, didn't win any battles, we just looked a little bit lacklustre.

"The players have done brilliantly, fantastically well for me, but that was not great. We didn't have our usual intensity, didn't have our usual press, and maybe that's because they got carried away or maybe it was the euphoria of beating Wycombe 4-1 the week before and they start thinking they're better than they are. But we strayed from the fundamentals we do well and we didn't do those today, and that's why we got the result we did."

Despite last Saturday's setback Luton have made a good start to the campaign. They won their first two games, opening the campaign with an eye-catching 3-0 win at Plymouth, the side who replaced them at the top of the table last Saturday.

Further confidence came from a 3-1 home win over Aston Villa in the first round of the EFL Cup and although they went out to Leeds United in the next round the Hatters bounced back with three successive wins, including a 2-1 triumph at Gillingham in the Checkatrade Trophy.

Off the field, the club are getting closer to a long-awaited move away from Kenilworth Road. Last month, plans for a new 17,500-seat stadium at Power Court, the derelict site of a former electricity substation in the centre of the town, were submitted.

Supporters groups have swung behind the club's plans and Luton's chief executive Gary Sweet

believes "that the vote will arguably have more impact on this town than any general election."

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Luton may soon be leaving Kenilworth Road for a 17,500 stadium



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Last time WE MET

Our last game against the Hatters saw the Reds run out 1-0 winners at Kenilworth Road in March. An early strike from Matt Harrold was enough to give Mark Yates' men three points and what turned out to be our last win of the season.

The clubs actually met three times in all competitions last season. The FA Cup first round fixture between the two in November ended in a narrow 2-1 defeat for Reds at the Checktrade Stadium. Harrold was again on the scoresheet, but his effort was cancelled out by a Josh McQuoid brace late in the second half.

The league fixture in RH11 saw Yates's men triumph 2-1. Goals from Rhys Murphy and Matt Harrold cancelled out Cameron McGeehan's first-half strike to give the hosts a victory.

That was the first League meeting between the teams, although previously the clubs met four times in the Conference with Reds winning two, losing once and drawing once.



Matt Harrold celebrates his winner in last season's League game against Luton

the BOSS



As a player, Nathan Jones enjoyed a career which spanned from 1991-2012 when he played for the likes of Luton Town, Southend United, Exeter City, Scarborough, Brighton & Hove Albion and Yeovil Town.

Over the course of his professional career he played 563 games, scoring 18 goals.

In his managerial career, he has been assistant manager at Yeovil Town and Brighton & Hove Albion as well having a spell as under-21 boss at Charlton Athletic where he enjoyed some great success.

His time on the south coast at Brighton & Hove Albion saw him enjoy roles as both assistant manager and first-team coach under the likes of Sami Hyypia, Oscar Garcia, and Chris Hughton.

The Welshman was promoted to first team coach at Brighton in 2015 before becoming Luton Town Head Coach last January when he signed a two and a half-year contract. He has enjoyed a healthy win percentage with the Hatters since his arrival and brings his side here to RH11 today in good form.



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BILLY CLIFFORD TELLS US ABOUT SOME LANDMARKS IN HIS CAREER – AND HIS LIFE - IN OUR NEW FEATURE FOR THIS SEASON

What's the best goal you've scored?

Probably at Colchester United during my first loan spell. It was my first professional goal and it was from about 25 yards out.

What's the best ground you've played at?

I played my first Chelsea game for the first team in pre-season when we played Ajax in the Amsterdam Arena so I'd probably have to say there.

Who's the best player you've played against?

I'd say Jack Wilshere in a Chelsea vs Arsenal game behind closed doors.

Who is your favourite team?

I support Chelsea – my whole family do and my Dad used to have a season ticket.

What was your first car?

Mercedes C-Class, I've just upgraded it though!

What was the first game you went to?

That was Chelsea against West Ham. Paulo Di Canio scored an outrageous goal for West Ham!

What is your favourite meal?

Anything Pan-Asian to be honest.

What was your favourite subject at school?

Art because I enjoyed drawing and I like tattoos!



Retro REDS

Mick Fox delves into his scrap books for a taste of Crawley Town history

Taking the train to Stevenage last Saturday after going to Portsmouth the week before proved to be a less than positive experience, even aside from the football. Actually, in the first half at Stevenage we finally started a game brightly and with some attacking intent, but in the second half after their second goal went in we lost our way badly until a late consolation from James Collins.

Having to catch the train was sadly necessary due to the CTSA not being able to fill a coach. Standing on Three Bridges station was another depressing experience as, apart from a few other Crawley fans making the trip, there were more heading to West Ham and Arsenal and then looking across to platform five I saw the really sad cases heading off to Falmer! At least they lost, which lessened the pain of our defeat a bit, and the West Ham experience seemed sadly to offer a throwback to the bad old days of 1970s football hooliganism. One thing definitely not 1970s at the new London stadium, though, is the price of a burger, which my son's friend assured him had cost an eye-watering £6.80 on his recent visit.

I guess with us still being considered a new town we continue to suffer from the old allegiances formed through families and their London roots, something that also afflicts Stevenage as when we arrived at their station it was crowded with fans waiting to board trains for the short journey to Finsbury Park and the Arsenal game. Walking to the stadium brought back memories of my days spent on training courses at ICL Stevenage and Letchworth and I remember one evening visit to Broadhall Way to watch a side managed by one of my old Tottenham favourites, Alan Gilzean (Ford United maybe?)

Another football excursion while at Stevenage in 1976 was the short trip to Kenilworth Road to see the side from my Dad's mother's childhood, Sunderland, take on Luton (unfortunately Sunderland lost the game 2-0). This was at a time

when both clubs were in the old second division, but while researching this piece I was browsing through an old Playfair Football annual and found a league table from Luton's first spell in the top division in 1955-56 (Football League Division One, as it then was) when they finished a very creditable tenth. I have included the league table and it is interesting to see that the team in second place is Blackpool!

FOOTBALL LEAGUE 1955-56:

DIVISION I														
Home					Away					Totals				
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2	42	15	3	44	27	2	15	3	44	2	30	16	26	49
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DIVISION III (South)

The first division table 60 years ago with Luton 10th and Blackpool second

Apparently Luton were third in the table at the end of December but their refusal to play anything but their fine passing football, even when the surfaces started to become heavy during the winter months, took its toll and they had a disastrous spell after Christmas. They even managed to lose 4-0 at home to a second division side, Leicester City, in the third round of the FA Cup.

I also happened to see in the review of FL Division 3 North - there were regionalised bottom divisions at the time - that Newport County had plans for promotion within three seasons, but that dream was rapidly turning into a nightmare and they spent the season fighting to avoid the lottery of re-election. And the article seemed to bemoan the fact that crowds never got over 10,000 - yes, 10,000!

CRAWLEY EARN DRAW

LATE LUTON GOAL STEALS A POINT

Crawley 1 Luton 1

RAW-BONED centre-forward Bill Halford strode off the Town Meadow turf with a rueful grin on his handsome face. For runaway Bill had climaxed his first game for Crawley after his "I quit!" announcement with a great display—and he just failed to give Crawley the win they deserved.

Bill tried every atom of his Athenian League experience to wrest the game from 11 fast but over-eager Luton young 'uns.

But he lacked the front line support which should have brought the Town Meadow men another home victory.

Ernie Randall was the only other forward to show class—and then in rare inspired flashes. After a mediocre first half, Halford worried and nagged the Luton rear line into tenderfoot mistakes.

He set the small crowd shouting when he soared to meet a Tobin centre after 64 minutes. Keeper Kershaw could not hold the ball, and it ran loose to Randall, who shot wide from 12 yards.

Ten minutes later he started a thrilling midfield combination with



The save of the week: a header from Ernie Randall comes into the centre, but Luton's goalkeeper leaps up high to snatch it out of the air.

Press report from the 1-1 draw against Luton in 1957

Anyway, back to Luton, and my next clips are from a couple of Met League games in 1957, the first at Town Meadow ending in a 1-1 draw after the "fast but over eager Luton young 'uns" (these being reporter David Hannington's flowery words) snatched a late equaliser through Ted Duggan. This after "Back Again" Bill Halford, who had recently quit the club, had given an inspirational performance, aided by a superb 25-yard goal from Ernie Randall. Apparently much of the final

quarter of an hour saw 11 Crawley players "battling against the rising tide of black and white hornets" (Hannington again, writing for his Pullitzer Prize).

(continued)

LUCKY

LUTON LIFTED BOTH POINTS

Len Donald's two missed penalties

LUTON TOWN 3: CRAWLEY 2

(By MICK HONEY)

LEN DONALD, tried and trusted Crawley spot-kick expert, walked sadly off the Luton Co-op. ground on Saturday. Sad and fully aware that he, more than anyone, was responsible for Crawley's defeat.

Twice he took penalties, one in each half; each time he missed. Grateful Luton, amazed at their luck, grabbed a last minute goal for a victory they did not deserve.

I repeat, Luton did not deserve to win. A team that squanders chances as Crawley managed to do cannot haggle over a beating, but they were worth at least a point.

In the second half they turned on a soccer heat that warmed the handful of spectators braving the bleak, bone-chilling conditions. For long periods they penned the entire Luton team in their own territory.

Ernie Randall, whose goal just on half time cut Luton's two-goal lead, levelled the scores. A hairline offside decision ruled out a Bill Halford "goal" and then the centre-forward twice had headers scrambled away.

An appeal that one effort had crossed the line was ignored. Final frustration was complete when Luton broke away and scored.

There was no early evidence that Crawley would launch this second-half burst. High-riding Luton—third in the Metropolitan table—began dangerously, with wingers Loasby and Tony Horne causing Crawley backs Don Rose and Bill Nankivell a deal of trouble.

Crawley stood firm until the 20th minute, when Loasby forced the ball home from a corner. Came the first Crawley penalty, awarded for "hands," and the beginning of Donald's dismay as his kick slithered wide of the post.

Crawley's attack had not been idle. In the opening minutes Randall forced a magnificent save from Kershaw with a pile-driver, and with Halford harassing Polish centre-half Bella, Luton's rearguard looked shaky.

Inside forward McGUFFIE put Luton two up before RANDALL, from Donald's pass, scored a fine goal from 18 yards.

Back in the game, Crawley entered the second half doggedly determined. Luton's over-confidence was quickly shattered.

wonder whether his best position might be wing half, played far up-field.

Such continual pressure should have brought reward when, after Randall and left back Daniels had crashed in a heap, the referee gave Crawley another penalty. Donald's drive, high towards the top of the net, was sent catapulting over the bar by Kershaw.

Fifteen minutes from time, Crawley equalised. Nankivell burst upfield and crossed the ball hard for RANDALL to net from close in.

More attacking from Crawley before the final blow hit them right on time. Centre forward Newton sent Britton away and the inside left powered the ball past a helpless Markham.

After this defeat, Crawley badly needed a break to stem the slide that has now landed them half-way down the table. Penalty practice and a brushing-up on finishing is urgently needed, but Crawley should not lament.

Their attack in the closing half hour looked more menacing than for some weeks. Tommy Alpe, making a rare appearance at inside right, slaved tirelessly, and Reg Hutchinson, without the best of service, wandered effectively. He should prove a good signing.

Penalty tailpiece.—In the second game of the season at Eastbourne, Roger Maguire and Randall both missed from the spot. Crawley lost 3-1!

Luton. — Kershaw; Moody; Daniels; Etherington; Bella; Chambers; Loasby; McGuffie; Newton; Britton; Horne.

Crawley. — S. Markham; D. Rose; W. Nankivell; P. Tobin; B. Riggs; C. Chilvers; E. Randall; T. Alpe; W. Halford; L. Donald; R. Hutchinson.

The next two clips are from the return match at the Luton Co-Op ground in December 1957, with the first being the "Lucky Luton" headline and then the body of the report. It seems more a case of Crawley throwing the game away, though, as Len Donald had missed two penalties.

We had fought back from 2-0 down through two Ernie Randall goals but allowed Luton to snatch a last-minute winner through Britton.

Apparently this was the second time that season we had missed two penalties, with Randall and Roger Maguire both missing from the spot in the 3-1 defeat to Eastbourne at the beginning of the season. This caused one reporter to call for more shooting practice, something I feel we could do with more of today as we so rarely try our luck with a shot from outside the box, something that has been the case for the last three years at least.

Although the Met League was stacked with the impressive young talent from football league sides, the league leaders at the time were Southern League side Tonbridge with Luton in third place. In fact, I think Crawley were one of the few teams fielding their first team in this league along with the likes of Windsor, Didcot and Haywards Heath.

One of the team mentioned earlier, and a club we had some good battles with, was the young West Ham United side and my final cuttings are from one of our impressive victories against West Ham on September 27th 1957. We won the game 1-0 with an 89th minute winner set up by Ernie Randall before Bill Halford poked home after an initial save by Brian Riggs. Halford had also beaten West Ham's former first team keeper Wylie in the 75th minute but the goal had been disallowed for offside.

As you can tell from the Dave Hannington prose at the start of the report, it was an unexpected but much celebrated win. It was also a contrast in styles as, according to another report of the game, we had West Ham playing "slick passing movements", whereas Crawley played the "robustly opportunist amateur soccer that relies on the long high ball." One saviour for Crawley that day was our goalkeeper, "lanky flaxen-

haired Stan Markham," who was ice cool and steady to keep out all West Ham could throw at him, and Stan is featured in the picture attached to the report along with our centre half, Roy Stringer, and what looks to be a healthy crowd on the touchline. I also include a nice action shot of Ernie Randall giving his all to try and get a goal - note the fire station tower now having been built in the background.

Crawley 1 West Ham United 0

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TEAM SPIRIT LICKS WEST HAM

Few spectators could give the reshuffled Crawley side any hope against the Hammers—a team with the impressive record of four wins in five games behind them.

But the critics, the prophets, the pessimists were all wrong. This no-star Crawley line-up pulled out all the stops. They turned on a heroic combination of aggressive determined football. They well deserved their win.

But oh! those heart-stopping moments before curly-mopped BRIAN RIGGS finally slammed in the points-producing goal.

Groans were mixed with the handclaps as shot after shot was foiled by five-star saves from West Ham's brilliant goalkeeper Reader. Randall on the left-wing squandered some heaven-sent chances to



Reds in action against West Ham in 1957 when the hosts triumphed 1-0

Ernie Randall had that "I'll score or bust" look as he hurtled in from the wing during Crawley's game against West Ham on Saturday, but the goalkeeper still managed to get there first.



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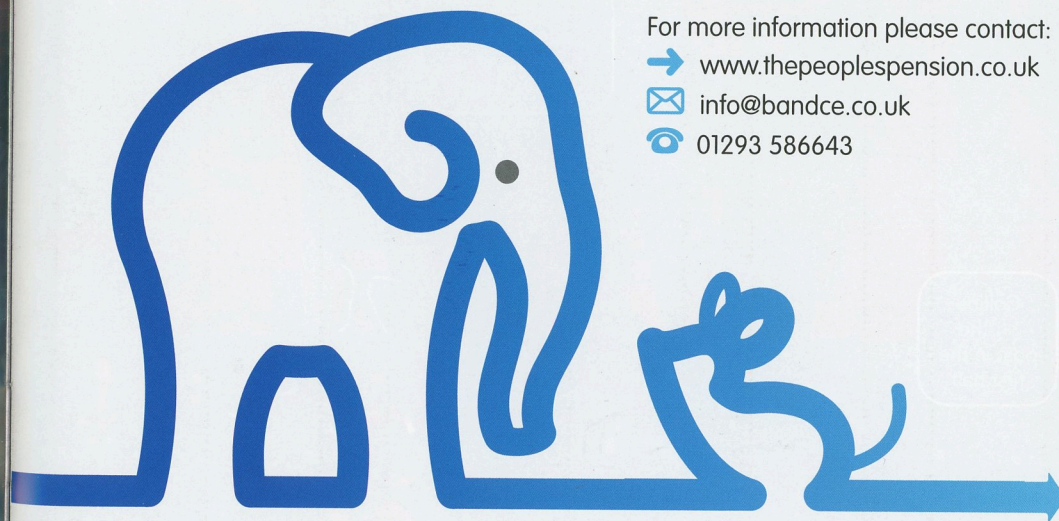
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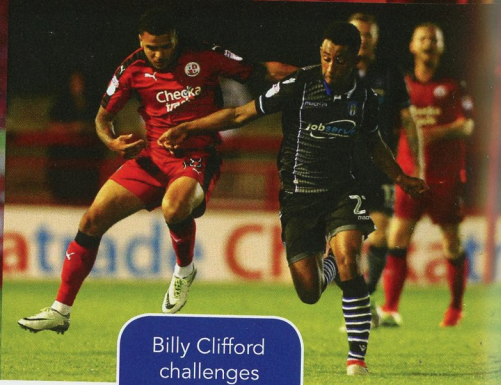


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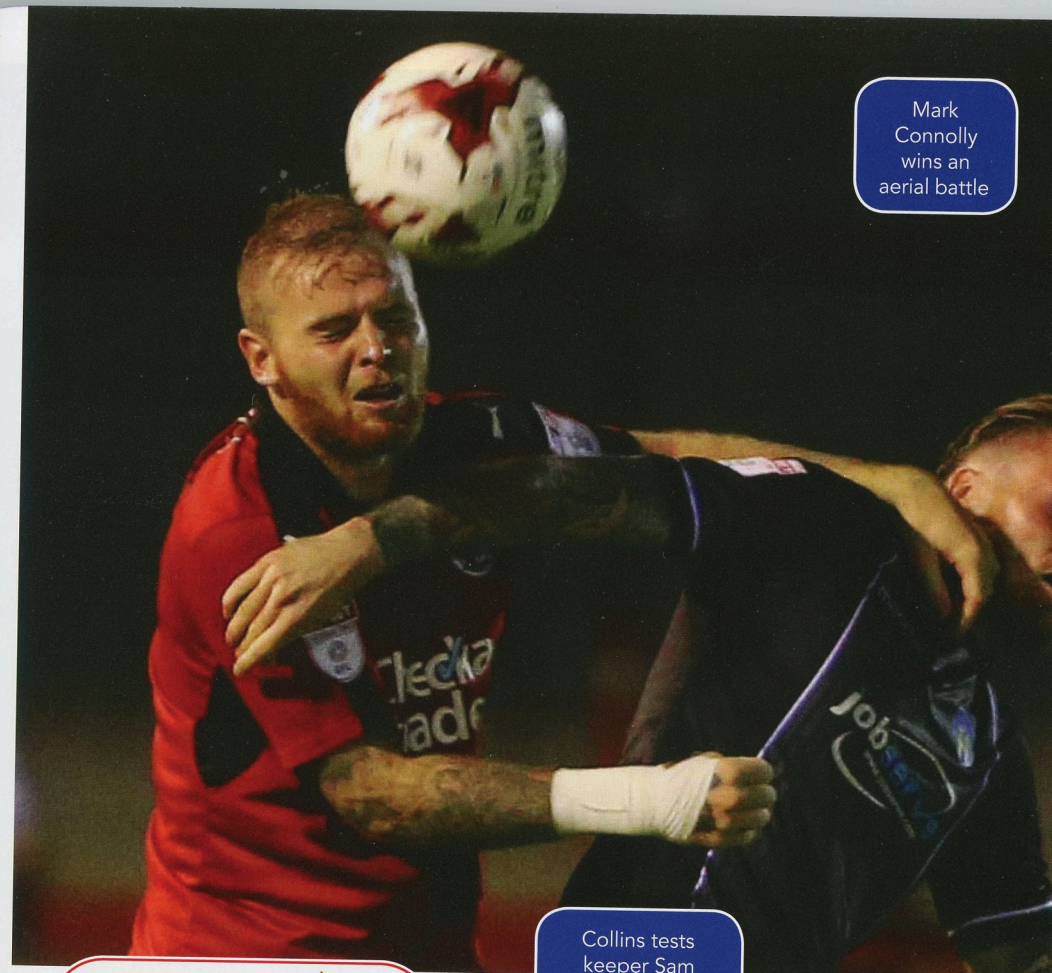


Celebrations
after James
Collins scores
the winner

Collins
hit the
post in the
first half



Billy Clifford
challenges
Dion Sembie-
Ferris



Mark
Connolly
wins an
aerial battle

Collins tests
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Walker during the
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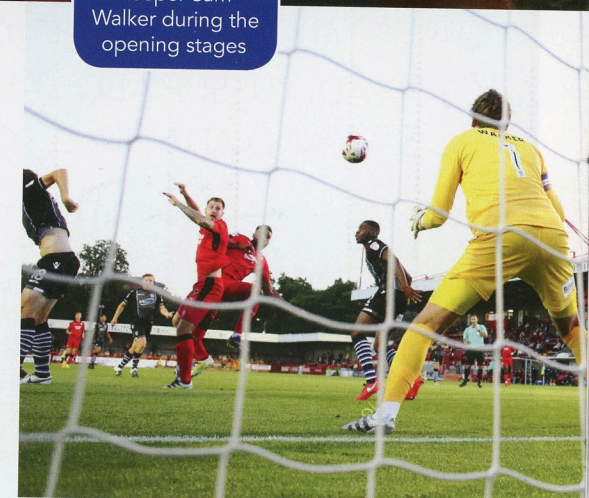
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REDS KICKED OFF THEIR CHECKATRADER TROPHY CAMPAIGN WITH A DESERVED WIN OVER OUR LEAGUE 2 RIVALS.

A superb header from James Collins – his second goal of the season – from an equally good cross by Jason Banton just before the break proved the difference as Head Coach Dermot Drummy gave full debuts to Aryan Tajbakhsh and Mitchell Beene.

Colchester did have a good spell in the second half and Denny Johnstone was denied by an instinctive save by Beene while Collins hit the woodwork during our best period in the first half.



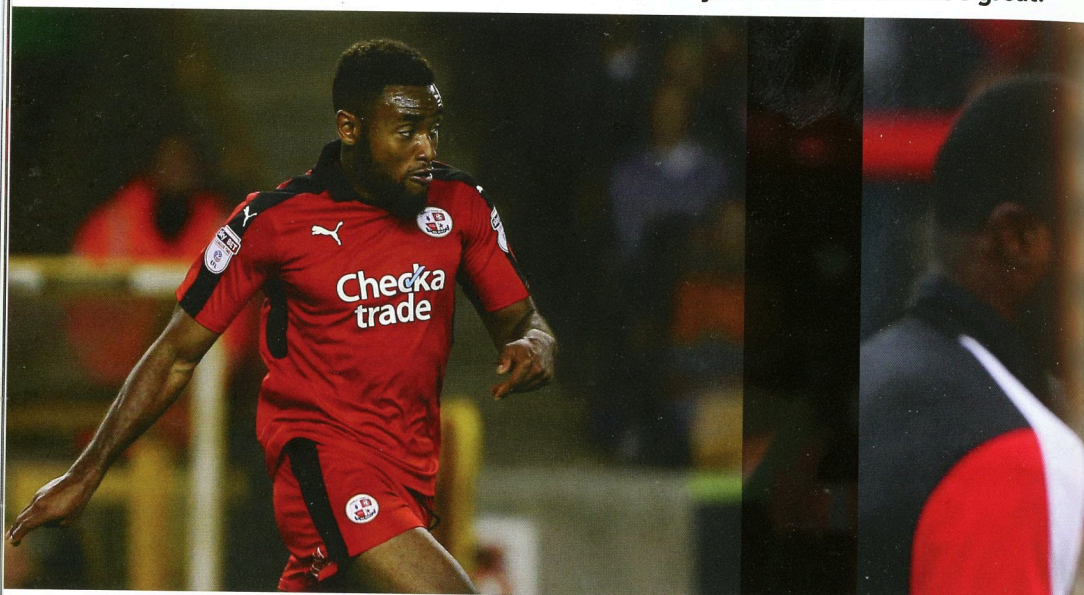


ADI YUSSUF MR VERSATILE

ALEX STEDMAN TALKS TO STRIKER
ADI YUSSUF ABOUT LIFE AT CRAWLEY
AND ADAPTING TO A NEW ROLE

Birmingham-born Adi is here until January, having joined on loan from Mansfield Town at the start of last month. One of many new faces at the club this new season, the forward says he has really enjoyed his first month with the Reds.

"It's been great so far – the manager and all the players have been brilliant and there's a great bond amongst the squad, I feel like I can offer more but that will come in time. When I arrived I hadn't had too much playing time so I'm still getting my match sharpness and building up by fitness."



Adi made a substitute appearance during the opening-day victory over Wycombe Wanderers, before making a big impact when he replaced Jordan Roberts in the EFL Cup tie at Wolves three days later at Molineux. He was forced off through injury during the game in the Midlands, which was unfortunate given the striker had impressed during his time on the pitch. Indeed, he had a good chance to give the Reds the lead when the scores were level at 1-1.

"I pulled my hamstring at Wolves and it's still giving me problems now and then but the gaffer has been brilliant. He's constantly giving me support and always

giving me confidence. As a player, that's all you want.

"I feel like he's made a difference to me. The faith he's showing in me is something I want to repay him for and I want to prove that I'm worthy of the chances I am getting in the team. "It gives me great confidence and I can honestly say I've never played under a manager who gives players so much confidence and guidance.

"He treats you like his son and he's great.

I've never played there but he sees me as both as a wide player or as a striker. I've always been known as a striker in a two up front so I'm always learning, but all I have ever wanted to do was play regularly so at the moment I'm delighted."

The Head Coach has instilled a new style of play this season with the recruitment during the summer specifically focused on bringing in individuals who look to play in a certain way.

"The style of play we're trying to carry

about one another there is a lot more to come from the side.

"We don't fear anyone. I feel like if we're on our game nobody can beat us. The league is such an unpredictable one, so you always have to be at your best and that's what we'll continue to try to do. We have eight points at the moment – before I came here I only knew one or two of the boys. We're a completely new group and there are players who have just arrived recently like Kabo and Dean Cox. I think we've done unbelievably well all things



You just want to play for him and do well and when you don't get the results you do feel like you've let him down as well as the club and the fans because he's so good off the pitch."

Adi has mainly been playing out wide for the Reds this season, despite being regarded during his career as a striker and that versatility is something that has been encouraged by the Head Coach.

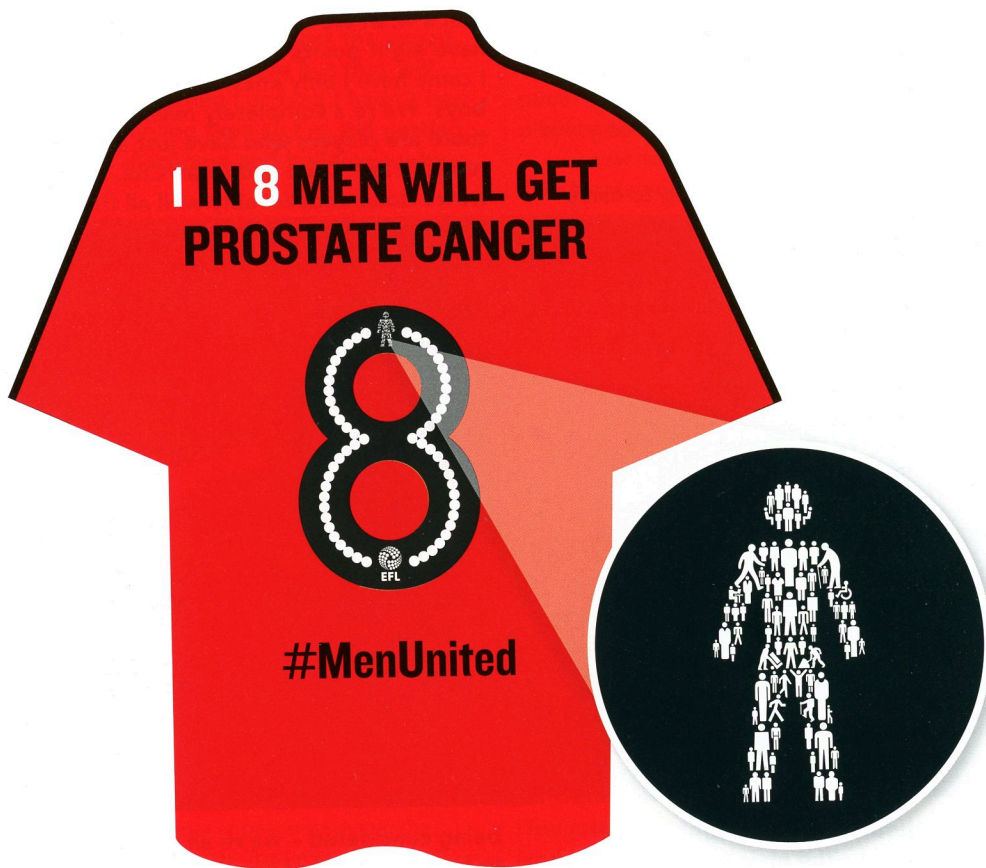
"Before I came here I wouldn't say I was that versatile, but the manager believes in me and thinks I can play out wide.

out is something the manager is very confident with. The players he has signed are ones he knows like to play good football and as long as you work hard and give everything he'll let you be free. There's a freedom in the final third and sometimes we all interchange on either flank. He gives you the confidence to play and the platform to be successful and express yourself."

After three consecutive losses in the league, the Reds aren't feeling sorry for themselves, and Adi believes that with the new group still learning

being considered – we're all still getting to know each other too. I think we should be proud of what we've done so far. It's still early days and all the boys believe we can push on."

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The World's Biggest Coffee Morning is Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer. Further details of the event will be released shortly via the CTSA and club website and through our social media channels.

Crawley Heroes NOMINATIONS!

We have already had several nominations for the Crawley Hero award, it has been a real pleasure to read such fantastic nominations and to read about such amazing people.

The first winner of the Crawley Hero award will be announced shortly. Please do keep your nominations coming as we will be looking to reward our local heroes throughout the year.

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New CTSA Board Member

We would like to welcome new board member Andy Tester, who will be helping with Community projects. First up, is baking some cakes for the Coffee Morning! We've heard about his great cake-making skills...

competition WINNER!

DEVIL'S DELIGHTS



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Aaron came up with the name DEVILS DELIGHTS and we are working closely with FastSigns in Manor Royal to get this new signage created. Aaron will be presented with a signed first team home shirt on Saturday at the Luton game. Congratulations to Aaron and thank you to all our Reds Fans for their great ideas.

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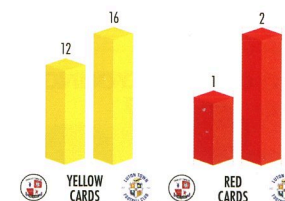
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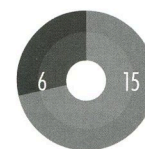
MATCH FACTS

Crawley have won both of their Football League meetings with Luton, both by a single goal margin last season (2-1 and 1-0).



MATCH FACTS

However, Luton won their last visit to Crawley, winning 2-1 in an FA Cup first round tie in November 2015.



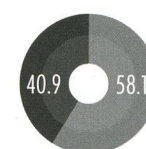
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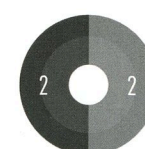
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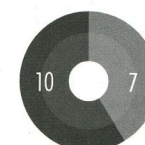
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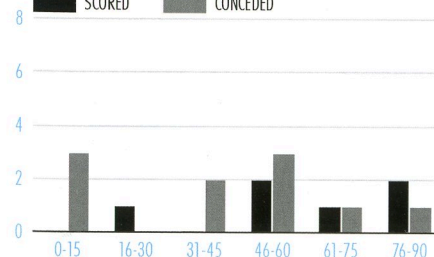
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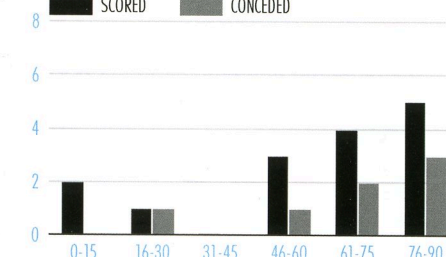
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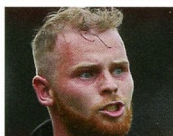
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AWAY: **ETHAN & OLIVER COWDREY**
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13: YUSUF MERSIN



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LACES: **AVAILABLE**

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AWAY: **AUDREY TURNBULL**
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Sep 27	COLCHESTER		
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Oct 22	ACCRINGTON STANLEY		MAYO WYNNE BAXTER
Nov 12	CAMBRIDGE	CHECKATRADE	KRL
Nov 26	GRIMSBY	HEINEKEN	
Dec 17	NEWPORT COUNTY		
Jan 2	YEOVIL	THE PEOPLES PENSION	
Jan 14	HARTLEPOOL	INNOVATION F&S	
Jan 21	PORTSMOUTH	CHECKATRADE	KRL
Feb 4	STEVENAGE		
Feb 18	MORECAMBE		
Feb 28	EXETER		RYAN VEHICLES
Mar 4	DONCASTER		
Mar 14	CREWE		
Mar 25	LEYTON ORIENT	CREATIVE POD	
Apr 8	PLYMOUTH	KRL	
Apr 14	CHELTENHAM		
Apr 22	CARLISLE		
May 6	MANSFIELD		

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PORTSMOUTH 3



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Jason Banton
is pressed
by Christian
Burgess



Mark
Connolly
takes a
tumble



Lewis
Young does
battle with
Milan Lalkovic



Jason Banton
is outnumbered
by the Portsmouth
defence



Adi
Yussuf
challenges
Carl Baker



TWO GOALS IN THE FIRST 12 MINUTES SENT REDS TO DEFEAT AGAINST TITLE FAVOURITES PORTSMOUTH AT FRATTON PARK.

Curtis Main put Pompey in front from close range before Gary Roberts robbed Alex Davey to double their lead.

Reds enjoyed plenty of possession and James Collins and Adi Yussuf went close but a third goal by Main just before the break put Pompey in cruise control in the second half.

Jason Banton was denied by a brave clearance from Tom Davies but the consolation goal we probably deserved eluded us.

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The Gold Club

Keith Murray, MD of one of our partners Ryan Vehicles, came up with the idea of the Gold Club in the summer and we held our first get-together with main sponsors and Dermot at Lingfield Park racecourse last month.

The concept of the Gold Club is to give our partners and sponsors an exclusive networking opportunity away from the club. We will be hosting future events at various locations and if you would like to get your business involved please email **grahamwright@crawleytownfc.com**.

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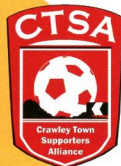


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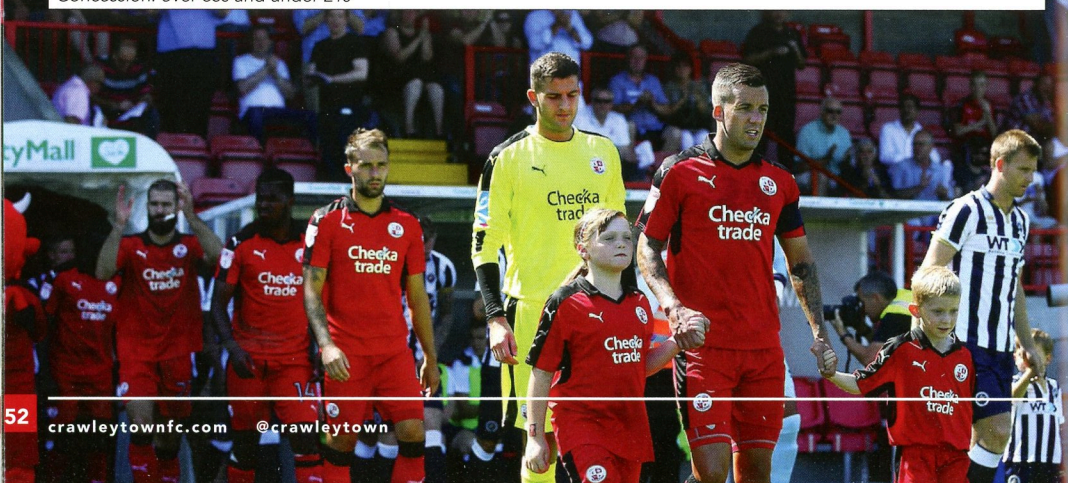


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Tom Black catches up with former Reds' midfielder SERGIO TORRES, who is now into his third season with Whitehawk

THE SERGIO TORRES STORY GIVES A GREAT INSIGHT INTO YOUR CAREER, AND WAS CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED. DID YOU EXPECT IT TO BE SO SUCCESSFUL?

Well, over here we got nominated for the sports book of the year award so that was a great evening. We didn't win, but it was a great experience and I was over the moon that people liked the story.

JUST HOW DIFFICULT WAS IT COMING OVER AT FIRST?

When I first came over, not speaking the language was the biggest barrier I had, and I was quite proud of myself that I managed to play for nine years professionally. I love football, and that's why I'm 35 now and still playing as much as I can.

YOU'VE BEEN ALL AROUND THE LEAGUE AND NON-LEAGUE. IS THERE A DRAMATIC CONTRAST BETWEEN THE TWO?

Yes, there is. There are very few clubs in the Non-League that pay you really good money, and you can have that as a job. The rest of them, if you have a family and a mortgage like me you cannot live with the money you are paid, so you have to look for a job and it's difficult. I find it hardest with midweek games when you have been working for 8-9 hours, and you have to travel two hours and play. Also, you don't train every day, so you're not as fit as if you are playing professionally.

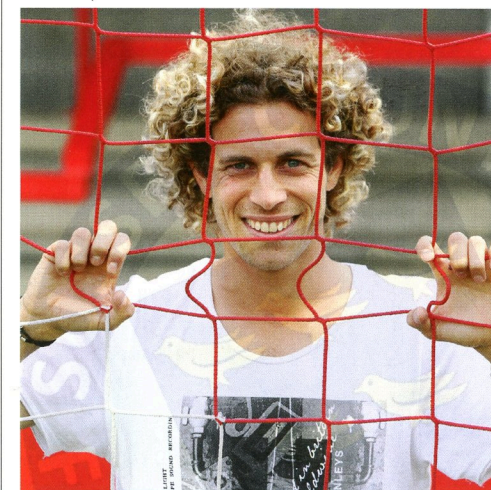
YOUR NOW CAPTAIN FOR BRIGHTON'S SECOND CLUB WHITEHAWK. HOW'S IT BEEN TO HAVE EXPERIENCED THE REVOLUTION THERE IN RECENT SEASONS?

This is my third season at Whitehawk. It was a difficult decision for me to step down to Non-League, but I had a long chat with my wife and we didn't really want to move again. It was convenient as we live in Brighton. Steve King rang me. He

was putting a team together that could challenge to win the Conference South, which interested me. Steve was there for the first year and a bit. Unfortunately, we lost in the final of the play-offs which was a big low. Then last season we lost in the semi-final. This season, we were thinking it was going to be the one, after the last two. So far we haven't started too good, so we just need to improve very quickly.

I READ IN YOUR BOOK THAT (NORWICH DEFENDER) RUSSELL MARTIN IS ONE OF YOUR BEST MATES FROM YOUR TIME AT PETERBOROUGH. HOW'S IT BEEN DOING SOME COACHING AT HIS ACADEMY?

We set up two months ago, and this week we started development on week nights. It's been unbelievable so far. There are loads of kids who want to get involved with us. Russell and I have been talking about this for years and when he gets the chance he's going to come down from Norwich and help.



Ex-Red Sergio Torres remains a popular figure with Crawley fans

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Left: Crawley MP Henry Smith is right behind the club's NCS programme

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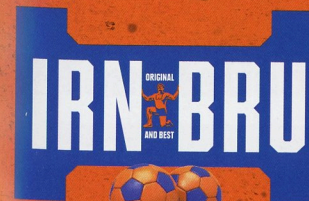
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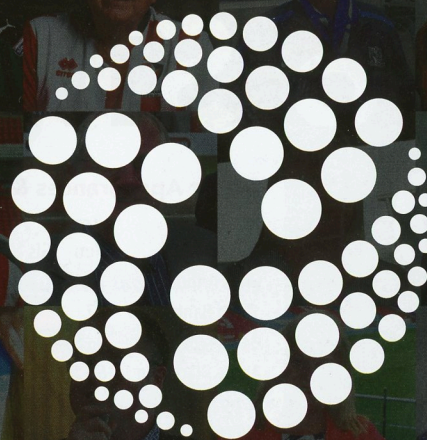
Player Appearances & Goals 2016-17

	League		Cup		Season		Career	
	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls	App	Gls
Chris Arthur	1+1		1		2+1		2+1	
Jason Banton	7		1		8		8	
Bobson Bawling	0+5		0+1		0+6		24+30	0
Andre Blackman	6+1				6+1		6+1	
Enzio Boldewijn	7	1	1	1	8	2	8	2
Billy Clifford	6+1				6+1		6+1	
James Collins	7	2	1		8	3	8	3
Mark Connolly	4+1		1		5+1		73+13	3
Alex Davey	5				5		5	
Matt Harrold	0+4		0+1		0+5		42+25	10
Yusuf Mersin	6		1		7		7	
Joe McNerney	5		1		6+1		18+1	2
Josh Payne	5+1		1		6+1		6+1	
Jordan Roberts	1		1		2		2	
Jimmy Smith	7	1			7	1	73+10	3
Aryan Tajbakhsh			1		1		1	
Josh Yorwerth	2+3	1			2+3	1	26+3	1
Lewis Young	7		1		8		71+20	0
Adi Yussuf	1+4		0+1		1+5		1+5	

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1 Plymouth Argyle	7	5	0	2	8	6	+2	15
2 Portsmouth	7	4	2	1	11	5	+6	14
3 Luton Town	7	4	1	2	15	7	+8	13
4 Doncaster Rovers	7	4	1	2	15	8	+7	13
5 Colchester United	7	4	1	2	13	10	+3	13
6 Crewe Alexandra	7	3	3	1	10	8	+2	12
7 Morecambe	7	4	0	3	10	12	-2	12
8 Leyton Orient	7	3	2	2	11	8	+3	11
9 Carlisle United	7	2	5	0	9	7	+2	11
10 Mansfield Town	7	3	2	2	7	7	0	11
11 Grimsby Town	7	3	1	3	15	12	+3	10
12 Stevenage	7	3	1	3	14	14	0	10
13 Barnet	6	2	3	1	6	4	+2	9
14 Hartlepool United	7	2	3	2	12	16	-4	9
15 Blackpool	7	2	2	3	9	7	+2	8
16 Accrington Stanley	7	2	2	3	10	11	-1	8
17 Notts County	7	2	2	3	9	11	-2	8
18 Crawley Town	7	2	2	3	6	10	-4	8
19 Cheltenham Town	7	1	4	2	7	7	0	7
20 Newport County	6	1	3	2	9	10	-1	6
21 Exeter City	7	2	0	5	6	11	-5	6
22 Wycombe	7	1	2	4	6	13	-7	5
23 Yeovil Town	7	1	1	5	5	12	-7	4
24 Cambridge United	7	0	3	4	4	11	-7	3

Today's fixtures

- Accrington Stanley v Portsmouth
- Barnet v Colchester United
- Blackpool v Carlisle United
- Cambridge United v Morecambe
- Cheltenham Town v Notts County
- Doncaster Rovers v Newport County
- Exeter City v Plymouth Argyle
- Grimsby Town v Crewe Alexandra
- Hartlepool United v Mansfield Town
- Leyton Orient v Yeovil Town
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Jason Banton
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Poses for days
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WELCOME | We look forward to welcoming you, Kaby! Fans will be able to hear from our new midfielder tomorrow! 🙌👍👏

Kaby Djalo #10 @aliudjalokaby
#KD10 another Fresh start... May God bless me on this journey...
Que Deus me abençoe e me...
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🍰🍰 EVENT | We're proud to be hosting a @macmillancoffee morning on the 30th September

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Kaby Djalo #24
@aliudjalokaby

#KD24 my first interview with @crawleytown 🙌👍👏
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Jason Banton
@JasonBanton

Sometimes you win sometimes you learn..
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SNAP | 📸 Here's the Crawley Town family for the 2016-17 season.

pic.twitter.com/OXsV3aulQ2



Enzio Boldewijn
@EnzioBoldewijn

Be sad for 1 day . Accept it the next day and learn from your mistakes during the week. Better times will come back again ! 🙌



"When I spoke to the manager everything was looking up. We're building here - I'm excited and it's a new project."
Dean Cox.



"Mistakes have cost us - we created a lot of chances in the game. We'll review it and go again this week - we have to dig in now." Lewis Young.

2016/17 Fixtures and results

	Comp	H/A									
AUG	6 Wycombe Wanderers	H	1-0	Mersin	Young	Blackman	Payne	Connolly	McNerney	Boldewijn	
	9 Wolves	EFLC1	A	1-2	Mersin	Young	Arthur	Payne	Connolly	McNerney	Boldewijn
	13 Doncaster Rovers	A	1-1	Mersin	Young	Blackman	Payne	Davey	McNerney	Boldewijn	
	16 Exeter City	A	1-0	Mersin	Young	Blackman	Payne	Davey	Connolly	Boldewijn	
	20 Barnet	H	1-1	Mersin	Young	Blackman	Payne	Davey	McNerney	1	Boldewijn
	27 Notts County	H	1-3	Mersin	Young	Blackman	Yorwerth	Davey	McNerney		Boldewijn
	30 Colchester United	CT1	H	1-0	Beeney	Young	Arthur	Yorwerth	Davey	Connolly	Bawling
SEP	3 Portsmouth	A	0-3	Mersin	Young	Blackman	Yorwerth	Davey	Connolly	Boldewijn	
	10 Stevenage	A	1-2	Beeney	Young	Arthur	Payne	McNerney	Connolly	Boldewijn	
	17 Luton Town	H									
	24 Morecambe	A									
	27 Colchester United	H									
OCT	1 Blackpool	H									
	4 Charlton Athletic	CT1	A								
	8 Hartlepool United	A									
	15 Cheltenham Town	A									
	22 Accrington Stanley	H									
	26 Yeovil Town	A									
	29 Carlisle United	A									
NOV	9 Southampton U-21s	CT1	A								
	12 Cambridge United	H									
	19 Mansfield Town	A									
	26 Grimsby Town	H									
DEC	10 Crewe Alexandra	A									
	17 Newport County	H									
	26 Leyton Orient	A									
	31 Plymouth Argyle	A									
JAN	2 Yeovil Town	H									
	7 Blackpool	A									
	14 Hartlepool United	H									
	21 Portsmouth	H									
	28 Notts County	A									
FEB	4 Stevenage	H									
	11 Luton Town	A									
	14 Colchester United	A									
	18 Morecambe	H									
	25 Wycombe Wanderers	A									
	28 Exeter City	H									
MAR	4 Doncaster Rovers	H									
	11 Barnet	A									
	14 Crewe Alexandra	H									
	18 Grimsby Town	A									
	25 Leyton Orient	H									
APR	1 Newport County	A									
	8 Plymouth Argyle	H									
	14 Cheltenham Town	H									
	17 Accrington Stanley	A									
	22 Carlisle United	H									
	29 Cambridge United	A									
MAY	6 Mansfield Town	H									

Saturday k/o 3pm Midweek k/o 7:45pm *denotes own goal Home games in **BOLD**

				SUB	SUB	SUB	UNUSED SUBS	ATT.	AWAY
Smith 1	Collins	Banton	Roberts	Clifford	Yussif	Bawling	Beeney, Arthur, Harrold, Yorwerth	2471	762
Smith	Collins	Banton	Roberts	Harrold	Yussif	Bawling	Beeney, Yorwerth, Clifford, Pappoe	8252	161
Smith	Collins 1	Banton	Clifford	Harrold	Yorwerth	Bawling	Beeney, Arthur, Tajbakhsh, Pappoe	4327	133
Smith	Collins	Banton	Clifford	Harrold	Yorwerth 1	Bawling	Beeney, Arthur, McNerney, Pappoe	2660	64
Smith	Collins	Banton	Clifford	Harrold	Yorwerth	Yussuf	Beeney, Arthur, Connolly, Bawling	1929	247
Smith	Collins	Banton	Clifford	Connolly	Yussuf	Bawling	Beeney, Arthur, Tajbakhsh, Pappoe	2080	242
Tajbakhsh	Collins 1	Banton	Yussuf	Boldewijn	Clifford	Blackman	Morris, McNerney, Pappoe	881	64
Smith	Collins	Banton	Yussuf	Arthur	Payne	Bawling	Beeney, Clifford, Tajbakhsh, McNerney	16347	435
Smith	Collins 1	Banton	Clifford	Blackman	Yussuf	Bawling	Mersin, Yorwerth, Tajbakhsh, Davey	2157	262



MASCOT



Today's mascot is **Oliver Cowdrey**, who lives in **Crawley** and watches the **Reds** home and away with his **Dad Matt** and brother **Ethan**.

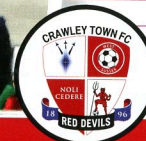
Oliver attends Ardingly College and his favourite player is Mark Connolly. His other hobbies? You mean there's something other than football...? The Cowdreys are also celebrating Ethan's 12th birthday this afternoon.

Have a great day Oliver!

Today's Birthday Guest is Arron Putland.

Arron goes to Southgate Primary School. His favourite position is midfield and his favourite player is Neymar. He plays football for Furngate Youth. His prediction for the match is for Crawley to win 2-1!

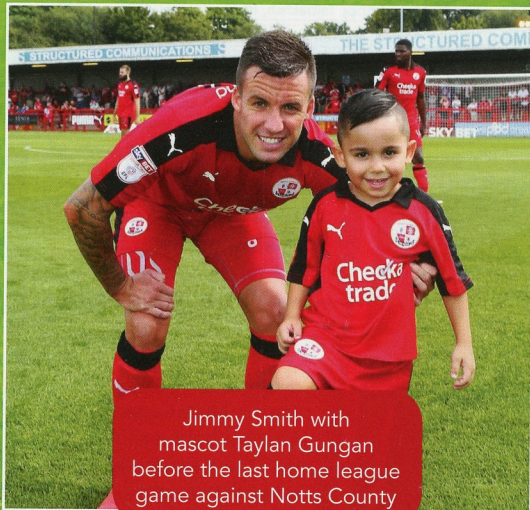
Have a great day Arron!



BIRTHDAY

Pitchside

the
reds



Jimmy Smith with mascot Taylan Gungan before the last home league game against Notts County



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the teams



CRAWLEY TOWN

Head Coach: **Dermot Drummy**
Colours: **red and black**

- 1. Mitchell **Beeney** (GK)
- 2. Lewis **Young**
- 3. Chris **Arthur**
- 4. Josh **Payne**
- 5. Alex **Davey**
- 6. Mark **Connolly**
- 7. Enzo **Boldewijn**
- 8. Jimmy **Smith** (C)
- 9. Matt **Harrold**
- 10. Jason **Banton**
- 11. Jordan **Roberts**
- 12. Glenn **Morris** (GK)
- 13. Yusuf **Mersin** (GK)
- 14. Andre **Blackman**
- 15. Josh **Yorwerth**
- 16. Addison **Garnett**
- 17. Bobson **Bawling**
- 18. Billy **Clifford**
- 19. James **Collins**
- 20. Aryan **Tajbakhsh**
- 21. Adi **Yussuf**
- 22. Joe **McNerney**
- 23. Danny **Pappoe**
- 24. Kaby **Djalo**
- 28. Dean **Cox**

LUTON TOWN

Manager: **Nathan Jones**
Colours: **white and orange**

- 1. Christian **Walton**
- 2. Stephen **O'Donnell**
- 3. Dan **Potts**
- 4. Jonathan **Smith**
- 5. Johnny **Mullins**
- 6. Scott **Cuthbert**
- 7. Jake **Gray**
- 8. Cameron **McGeehan**
- 9. Danny **Hylton**
- 10. Jordan **Cook**
- 11. Danny **Green**
- 12. Craig **Mackail-Smith**
- 14. Jack **Marriott**
- 15. Alex **Gilliead**
- 16. Glen **Rea**
- 17. Pelly-Ruddock **Mpanzu**
- 18. Zane **Banton**
- 19. Olly **Lee**
- 20. Isaac **Vassell**
- 21. Jack **Senior**
- 23. Josh **McQuoid**
- 27. Tyreeq **Bakinson**
- 31. Craig **King**
- 36. James **Justin**
- 37. Frankie **Musonda**
- 38. Alex **Atkinson**
- 39. Akin **Famewo**
- 42. Liam **Gooch**
- 44. Alan **Sheehan**

Referee **GAVIN WARD**

Assistants **NICK COOPER** and **GARY MASKELL**

Fourth official **MATT FOLEY**



NEXT HOME GAME

Colchester United, Tuesday September 27TH 7:45^{PM}